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SOURCE Nan-fang Jih-pao.ANNOUNCES 1950 MARINE PRODUCTS GOALS

EAST CHINA FISHING GOAL SET AT 224,700 TONS -- Canton Nan-fang Jih-pao, 10 Apr 50

Shanghai, 9 April (Hsin-hua) -- The first East China Marine Products Conference, held from 25 March to 2 April 1950 in Shanghai by the Marine Products Control Bureau of the East China Military and Political Council, adopted the following 1950 goal: catch 224,700 tons of fish; manufacture 21 tons of cod-liver oil, 750,000 pounds of Pai-k'uan rope, refrigeration unit capable of freezing 25,050 tons of fish products; and hatch 130 million fresh-water fish. The People's Bank will extend a loan of 25 million catties of millet to important fishing areas to fulfill this program.

To facilitate the above program, the bureau will establish marine products offices in Shantung and Chekiang, and Taiwan after its liberation; and marine products agencies in Fukien, Shanghai, Tsingtao, north and south Anhwei, and north and south Kiangsu to unify the work of the fishing industry in various East China provinces, ch'u, and cities. Also the existing state-owned marine products companies in Shanghai and Shantung will unify the control of fish markets in their areas and restore control over others in Ning-po, Wen-chou, Foo-chow, and Amoy.

In addition, it will be necessary to place all marine products equipment, gears, and fishing boats at the disposal of the Marine Products Control Bureau; organize the fishing populace into fishery associations, establish better fishing industry promotion agencies and consumers' cooperatives to minimize profits to middlemen; help fishermen in processing products; recommend new techniques in deep-sea fishing, etc.

SHANTUNG TO INCREASE FISH CATCH -- Canton Nan-fang Jih-pao, 10 Apr 50

Tsinan, 9 April (Hsin-hua) -- During 1950, the Agriculture Office of the Shantung Provincial People's government plans to restore the fishing industry in the province to 91 percent of the level of prewar years. To fulfill this goal, the province must catch 1,630,800 piculs of fish or an increase of 32 percent over that of 1949.

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